## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

John J. Bednarski and :

Ruth Bednarski, his wife, : Civil Case No.: 05-125 (GMS)

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Plaintiffs,

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V.

E and S Contract Carriers, Inc.,

Clarence Jones, I & A Transport, and,

Martin Camacho,

:

Defendants.

## SCHEDULING ORDER

This \_\_\_\_\_\_day of July, 2005, the Court having conducted an initial Rule 16 scheduling and planning conference pursuant to Local Rule 16.2(b) on May 26, 2005 and the parties having determined after discussion that the matter cannot be resolved at this juncture by settlement, voluntary mediation or binding arbitration;

## **IT IS ORDERED** that:

- 1. Rule 26(a) Initial Disclosures. Unless otherwise agreed to by the parties, they shall make their initial disclosures pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 26(a) on or before August 1, 2005.
- 2. <u>Joinder of other Parties and Amendment of Pleadings.</u> All motions to join other parties and amend the pleadings shall be filed on or before <u>August 1, 2005.</u>
- 3. <u>Discovery.</u> All factual discovery in this case shall be initiated so that it will be completed on or before <u>November 1, 2005</u>. Expert discovery shall be completed on or before <u>January 31, 2006</u>.
- a. <u>Discovery Matters.</u> Should counsel find they are unable to resolve a discovery matter, the party seeking the relief shall contact chambers at (302) 573-6470 to schedule a

telephone conference. Not less than forty-eight hours prior to the conference, by hand delivery or facsimile at (302) 573-6472, the party seeking relief shall file with the court a letter agenda not to exceed two (2) pages outlining the issues in dispute. Should the court find further briefing necessary upon conclusion of the telephone conference, the court shall order the party seeking relief to file with the court a **TWO PAGE LETTER**, exclusive of exhibits, describing the issues in contention. The responding party shall file within five (5) days from the date of service of the opening letter an answering letter of no more than **TWO PAGES**. The party seeking relief may then file a reply letter of no more than **TWO PAGES** within three (3) days from the date of service of the answering letter.

4. <u>Confidential Information and Papers filed under Seal.</u> Should counsel find it will be necessary to apply to the court for a protective order specifying terms and conditions for the disclosure of confidential information, they should confer and attempt to reach an agreement on a proposed form of order and submit it to the court within 10 days from the date of this order. When filing papers under seal, counsel should deliver to the Clerk an original and two copies of the papers.

If after making a diligent effort the parties are unable to agree on the contents of the joint proposed protective order, then they shall follow the dispute resolution process outlined in paragraph 3(a).

- 5. <u>Settlement Conference.</u> Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §636, this matter is referred to the United States Magistrate for the purpose of exploring the possibility of a settlement. If the parties agree that the possibility of settlement may be enhanced by such referral, the parties shall contact Magistrate Judge Thynge to schedule a settlement conference with counsel and clients.
- 6. <u>Applications by Motion.</u> Except as provided in this Order or for matters relating to scheduling, any application to the Court shall be by written motion filed with the Clerk. Unless

otherwise requested by the Court, counsel shall not deliver copies of papers or correspondence to

Chambers. Any non-dispositive motion should contain the statement required by Local Rule 7.1.1.

7. Oral Argument. If the Court believes that oral argument is necessary, the Court will

schedule a hearing Pursuant to Local Rule 7.1.4.

8. Pretrial Conference. On June 6, 2006 at 2:00 p.m., the Court will hold a Pretrial

Conference in Chambers with counsel beginning at 9:00 a.m. Unless otherwise ordered by the Court,

the parties should assume that filing the pretrial order satisfies the pretrial disclosure requirement in

Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 26(a)(3). Thirty (30) days before the joint proposed pretrial order is

due, plaintiffs counsel shall forward to defendants counsel a draft of the pretrial order containing

the information plaintiffs propose to include in the draft. Defendants counsel shall, in turn, provide

to plaintiffs counsel any comments on the plaintiffs draft as well as the information defendants

propose to include in the proposed pretrial order.

9. <u>Trial</u>. This matter is scheduled for a <u>3</u> day <u>jury</u> trial beginning at <u>9:00 a.m.</u> on <u>June 26</u>,

<u>2006</u>.

10. **Scheduling.** The parties shall direct any requests or questions regarding the scheduling

and management of this matter to Chambers at (302) 573-6470.

THE HONORABLE GREGORY M. SLEET UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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